

Magnified Moments

What is a magnified moment?

Magnified moments are short pieces of writing that describe a moment of real experience in your own life. Capture the moment by describing it in detail using the "showing" writing skills we have practiced in class. The dramatic moment should unfold in slow motion, with each sequential detail described precisely.

How do I create a magnified moment?

- ◆ Read models
- ◆ List possible topics
- ◆ Share your topics with your response group
 - Choose one moment and brainstorm around it by mapping, drawing, quickwriting, etc.
 - Use your senses to describe the moment
Visualize the scene. Who was there? What was happening?
What were you doing? What were you thinking?
- ◆ Write a first draft

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